Disaster CalFresh: CalFresh Outreach

Agenda

- ► CDSS CalFresh Outreach (CFO) Updates
- ► Alexis Fernández with an update on D-CalFresh
- Stephanie Nishio, California Association of Food Banks Update
- ▶ Q & A session

CDSS CFO Updates

- Materials
 - Spanish
 - ► CBOs Coordinating with Stephanie Nishio
 - Other Community Partners
- Disaster CalFresh Website
 - ► http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/CalFresh/Disaster-CalFresh
- Maps
- Survey to Counties

Disaster CalFresh Sonoma County

Survey Response Currently working with the Catholic Charities Redwood Empire Food Bank following organizations... Redwood Community Health Center CalFresh Outreach 1. Application assistors to assist clients assistance needed as with D-CalFresh pre-registration and follows... applications 2. Passing out flyers and information Directing clients to the appropriate Field Office(s) **Application Submission** Paper and Online method(s)... Target area(s)... Sonoma Valley Geyserville

Disaster CalFresh Mendocino County

Survey Response	
Currently working with the following organizations	1. First5 - Family Resource Centers
CalFresh Outreach assistance needed as follows	 Passing out flyers and information Directing clients to the appropriate Field Office(s)
Application Submission method(s)	Paper and Online
Target area(s)	 Potter Valley Willits Redwood Valley

Disaster CalFresh Lake County

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Disaster CalFresh: Policy

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D-CalFresh Application Period

- D-CalFresh Application Period
 - Butte, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Yuba Counties:
 - Wednesday, October 25 through Saturday, October 28
 - Monday, October 30 through Wednesday, November 1
 - 7 Day Application Period
 - Sonoma County:
 - Wednesday, October 25 through Wednesday November 1
 - 8 Day Application Period
- D-CalFresh Pre-Registration

D-CalFresh Eligibility

Residency

• The household must have **lived or worked** in the disaster area, one of the seven wildfire impacted counties, at the time of the disaster (i.e. October 8, 2017).

Purchase Food

• The household **must plan on purchasing food** during the disaster period, October 8, 2017 through November 7, 2017. This will likely apply to the majority of households.

Adverse Affects

• Disaster related adverse effects fall into three categories: loss of income, inaccessible resources, and disaster expenses. The household must have experienced one in order to be eligible for D-CalFresh.

Key Eligibility Questions

- Did the household live or work in the disaster area when the disaster struck?
- Does the household plan to purchase food?
- Did the household experience a disaster related loss of income or disaster related expense that will not be reimbursed during the benefit period?
- Does the household meet the disaster income and resources test (i.e. DGIL)?

Benefit Issuance

- ▶ D-CalFresh benefits can be issued on a **regular EBT** card.
- Certified households should be able to access their benefits within 3 days of application (except in cases of delayed issuance for questionable applications).

Disaster CalFresh: Community Based Organizations

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Questions?